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Prior Application: S. KOJIMA et al

Serial No. 10/098,593
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For: RADIOLOGICAL IMAGING APPARATUS AND RADIOLOGICAL IMAGING METHOD

REQUEST FOR DIVISIONAL APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 10/098,593, filed on March 18, 2002, entitled RADIOLOGICAL IMAGING APPARATUS AND RADIOLOGICAL IMAGING METHOD, by the inventor named in the prior application.

- Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the Declaration as originally filed.
 - 2. The Filing Fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION
LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY AMENDMENT BELOW
PLUS ANY CLAIMS ADDED BY ACCOMPANYING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Basic Fee \$ 770.00 Total Claims 19 - 20 = 0 x 18 = \$.00 Independent Claims 3 - 3 = 0 x 86 = \$.00 Total Filing Fee \$ 770.00

- 3. A Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$770.00 is enclosed to cover the Filing Fee.
- 4. Cancel claims 1-27 before calculating the Filing Fee.

 A Preliminary Amendment is submitted herewith.
- 5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1417. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed for this purpose.
- 6. Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line:

This is a divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 10/098,593, filed March 18, 2002.

- 7. New drawings are enclosed, twenty (20) sheets, Figs. 1-26.
- 8. The power of attorney is set forth in the Declaration in the prior application or an associate power of attorney is hereby granted to:

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Please associate this application with Customer No. 24956.

- The prior application is assigned to Hitachi,Limited.
- 10. Priority of the following Japanese patent applications is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119:

No. 2001-184206, filed June 19, 2001; No. 2001-275897, filed September 12, 2001.

The certified priority documents have been filed in the parent application.

The undersigned hereby declares that no matter contained in the specification, including the claims, and drawings filed in the present divisional application would have been new matter in the prior application Serial No. 10/098,593, as originally filed on March 18, 2002.

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